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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS (DR. ROGER POSADAS)

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1. DR. ROGER POSADAS IS LISTED IN MOST RECENT QUARTERLY REPORT OF CHURCH'S TASK FORCE ON DETAINEES (TFD) AS DETAINED AT BICUTAN REHABILITATION CENTER. TFD QUARTERLY COMMENTS ON HIS CASE: "THE ONLY DOCTOR OF NUCLEAR PHYSICS IN THE PHILIPPINES; FORMER CHAIRMAN OF THE PHYSICS DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES; MARRIED WITH ONE CHILD; TORTURED IN A SAFEHOUSE." TFD STAFFER TOLD EMBOFF JUNE 22 THAT POSADAS WAS NEVER FORMALLY CHARGED WITH A CRIME.

2. EMBASSY REPORTED AT TIME OF POSADAS' ARREST (SEE 76 MANILA 1298) THAT HE WAS ALLEGEDLY DIRECTOR OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF PHILIPPINES' "MILITARY RESEARCH AND EXPLOSIVES MOVEMENT."

3. REF B NOTES PRESS REPORTS JUNE 22 THAT POSADAS IS AMONG EARLY APPLICANTS FOR AMNESTY UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1429. ONE NEWSPAPER SAYS HIS CASE WAS RECOMMENDED
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FAVORABLY BY AMNESTY COMMISSION TO PRIME MINISTER MARCOS FOR APPROVAL, WHILE ANOTHER INDICATES HIS CASE HAS NOT YET BEEN CONSIDERED. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER WHEN CLARIFICATION RECEIVED. MURPHY

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